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SUBJECT: SOWETO DEMONSTRATIONS (SIXTH DAY)

- 1. IN EARLY MORNING MONDAY (AUGUST 9), GROUPS OF SOWETO STUDENTS ERECTED ROADBLOCKS IN TOWNSHIP, PARTICULARLY IN DIEPKLOOF SECTOR, TO TRY PREVENT WORKERS GOING INTO JOHANNESBURG. ROADBLOCKS CONSISTED OF WRECKED CARS, GARBAGE CANS, ETC. TRAFFIC WAS IMPEDED BOTH WAYS, WITH CITY BUSES GOING ONLY TO SOWETO'S OUTSKIRTS AND MERCHANTS CONTINUING TO REFUSE DRIVE DELIVERY TRUCKS INTO TOWNSHIP. SCHOOL ATTENDANCE LOW. NO VIOLENT CONFRONTATIONS WITH POLICE, HOWEWEVER, AND NO CASUALTIES. MORE TROUBLE EXPECTED THROUGHOUT WEEK.
- 2. IN NEARBY ALEXANDRA TOWNSHIP (NORTHERN OUTSKIRTS OF JOHANNESBURG), POLICE OPENED FIRE ON CROWD STONING POLICE PATROL AND TWO BLACK MALE ADULTS WERE KILLED. TOTAL KILLED ON REEF NOW EIGHT.
- 3. STONINGS OCCURRED AND FIRES WERE SET IN SEVERAL REEF TOWNSHIPS, INCLUDING ALEXANDRA (A SECONDARY SCHOOL), KWA-THEMA (A PRIMARY SCHOOL), UDUZA (NEAR NIGEL) (A UNCLASSIFIED

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COMMUNITY HALL), JOUBERTON (NEAR KLERKSDORP (A SECONDARY

SCHOOL AND A POST OFFICE), AND MOHLAKENG (NEAR RANDFONETIN)
(BUILDINGS AND VEHICLES).
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